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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Yusuke MURAKAWA et al.
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed November 12, 2010. The response is deemed to be timely.

On page 2, the Office Action formally restricts the pending claims into two inventive groups. Inventive Group I (claims 5, 6, 22-33) is directed to a product, while Group II (claims 35-40), is directed to a fluidized granulation process.

Applicants hereby elect Group I for prosecution.

If the Examiner believes that a discussion would facilitate examination, then the Examiner is courteously invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, then the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicants hereby petition for such extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extension fees to the same deposit account.